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July 20, 2012

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RE: Upper Cumberland Development District
Reference Wendy Askins

Dear Bob:

I am writing this letter on behalf of my client, Wendy Askins who was formerly the director of the Upper Cumberland Development District.

After Wendy's voluntary resignation from her position as director she requested the State Comptroller's office to do an audit on the Upper Cumberland Development District. Wendy Askins voluntarily agreed to cooperate in the process of the audit and has voluntarily met with the auditors on her own, without the aide of counsel and submitted to questions concerning her directorship.

I have personally spoken with the auditor Phillip Job who has informed me that during the audit he found questionable expenses attributed to Wendy in the amount of \$1,229.17. Wendy Askins without making any contest to the finding has advised me that she wants to pay this disputed amount. Accordingly, I am enclosing a check in the amount of \$1,229.17, from Wendy Askins, made payable to the Upper Cumberland Development District as reimbursement for these questionable expenses.

I am amazed that after all of the news media about Wendy Askins and her management of the Upper Cumberland Development District, she having managed millions of dollars over seventeen years of service, it has now come down to a discrepancy of \$1,229.17. Wendy, under her leadership provided a significant service to the Upper Cumberland Development District. It is regrettable that the news media has literally destroyed this woman's reputation. Wendy resigned under a fire storm of media that sought to sensationalize on things and matters that were not in the best interest of the Upper Cumberland Development District.

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Wendy Askins has asked me to convey to you, the Board and the employees of the Upper Cumberland Development District that she still strongly believes in this organization and the fine services that it provides for the people of the Upper Cumberland. She has asked me to let everyone know that she will continue to do everything possible to help in the District's continued success.

Respectfully yours,

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Enclosure(s): Check

cc: Mike Gannon; Chairman of the Board
Wendy Askins

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